

Heritage Fair Committee

October 6, 2008

Present: Gerald Fussell, Jan Smith, Chantel Parsons, Cpt. John Low, Ian Hargreaves, Lynn Joseph, Rosanne Lyster, Melanie Zimmer, Greg Kochanuk, David Stinson, Jeff Verkley, Pam Twin

Regrets: Jon Ambler, Gord Holden, Jay Bridges, Corinne McLellan

1. Review from last year's fair

- it worked
- cleaning was done well, but tight at the end
- students were very successful
- one of the problems was not enough people to clean up – need to be committed to stay to the end
- lots of room – appropriate amount of space – spread distance between rows a bit more and add 1/table length/row
- move end of tables from wall
- concession was good – food was good – cleanup was a bit of a problem based on what food was served (i.e. doughnut sprinkling, popcorn, etc.)
- need signs on the table where people enter – possibly higher
- having seniors at the table to help direct was helpful
- need to have the assigned areas in advance - map
- registration needs to be finalized earlier and maybe have an over-flow area
- young girl singing O Canada was great (key helped)
- teachers did a good job of asserting themselves to get students in the right spots
- judges space was great – arrange the space so that it was more useable – use smaller chairs as a possible solution
- activities went well except the Katimivik/Cumberland Museum presentation which was too short for time slot
- really liked having high-school students judge them – younger students
- older kids using pre-school toys a problem – in concession room
- signatures on judges sheets important
- need a better way of communicating with judges about kids with special needs
- hard to get a hold of large garbage cans – need to bring our own (anything different from what they have is our responsibility)
- need to have a rep from each school involved in the selection for regionals – Friday night and Saturday morning meeting
- liked some judges teaching them things
- range of research
- creative projects
- judges were interested in what the students did
- not getting CSTs was disappointing – need to confirm with judges
- swimming not too popular
- a lot of community on Saturday morning
- Air Cadets liked the Saturday morning

- Isfeld kids did well on set-up
- increased French presence
- improved quality
- our team was very good at the Regionals
- quality of all at the Regionals was much improved
- more seniors

2. Implications for this year

- communication with judges needs to be clear and concise
- budget
- more judges would help – history students from NIC could help
- bigger garbage cans
- cut off date for registration – earlier and firm
- potential theme – 2010 founding of the Royal Canadian Navy (100 years)
- try to find activities off base – bussing
- more people, more organized, for clean-up
- rep from each participating school to meet Friday night and Saturday morning
- involve Work Experience sooner (Highland and Isfeld)
- 6 large rolls of masking tape
- new Wing Commander (Col. Lalumiere)
- map for the bus driver and cell phones for Regionals
- having a truck and couple of vans to take projects was important
- keep notes on how to do your role in this committee – WiKi might be the key to this
- get Wing Commander's Shield and engraved
- possibly Malispina Education students as judges
- use the same schedule as last year

3. Prizes for this year

- Wing Commander's Shield
- MP's Award
- Aboriginal Awards
- 888 Wing – David Stinson will talk to them
- Francophone Association
- Courtenay Rotary – Gerald will talk to them
- Regional Team

4. Areas of responsibility

- advertizing (internal and public) – Jan, Pam with Melanie
- facilities – John, David, and Jon
- concession - Pam
- base activities – John, David, and Jon
- program – Gerald and Melanie
- registration – Greg and Jeff
- logistics – Gerald to oversee
- prizes – Ian

- clean-up – Chantel
- Regionals – Gerald
- Judges – Lynn, Chantel and Rosanne
- Correspondence – Gerald

5. Any other business

- we need money
- Richard Murphy could run an activity or two – maybe swimming
- great to have a context for the Spitfire
- golf a possibility

6. Next Meeting

- Monday, January 18, 2010

Thank you for reading these. See you in January.